

German Consul General Kendeffy Welcomed to Miami

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Shutts & Bowen LLP recently hosted a reception welcoming German Consul General Eva Alexandra Countess Kendeffy back to Miami after three years' service in Berlin.

Diplomatic representatives from 16 nations joined more than 100 business and community leaders at Shutts' downtown Miami office to welcome Countess Kendeffy's return to South Florida as Consul General of the Federal Government of Germany to Florida, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

"We're delighted to welcome Countess Kendeffy back to South Florida," said Bowman Brown, chairman of the firm's executive committee and a prominent international banking lawyer. "Building partnerships across international lines is key for South Florida's community and for us as a firm."

Shutts & Bowen Partner Arthur J. Furia, who has deep and longstanding ties to the international community, organized the event and said, "We consider this event a homecoming for Countess Kendeffy. It is always great to bring together friends who can provide her with effective resources for linking and nurturing our global community."

Countess Kendeffy had spent the last three years as Head of the Protocol Department, State and Official Visits for the Federal Republic of Germany. She served in Miami as Consul General from 2004 to 2007. Before that, she was Germany's Ambassador to the Dominican Republic from 1999-2004.

Founded in Miami in 1910 and celebrating its 100th anniversary, Shutts & Bowen counsels businesses both nationally and internationally. The firm has more than 220 attorneys, and offices in Fort Lauderdale, Miami, Orlando, Tallahassee, Tampa, West Palm Beach and Amsterdam. Shutts & Bowen has built one of the Southeast's most substantial financial industry practices. It has sophisticated international litigation, dispute resolution, corporate and tax departments. Its attorneys and senior legal staff include a broad array of people with legal training throughout the

Americas and the European community.

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